

Application No.: 09/955,502

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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0026] with the following amended paragraph:

[0026] One could obtain the YggX protein through standard molecular biology techniques and reference to Gralnick and Downs, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. 98(14):8030-8035, 2001, incorporated by reference. Applicants note that the amino acid sequence of the E.Coli YggX is listed at GenBank accession number AAC75999 (SEQ ID NO:11).